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RE:
 Application Number 10/053047
 Applicants: Whalen, Michael J. and Howard, Jeffrcy S.
 Filing Date: November 9, 2001
 Title: Portable Container for Paint, Roller and Brush

MESSAGE: Attached please find the Request to Associate Customer Number With Application And Re-Issue Office Action for the above noted application. Please process our request and forward the re-issued Office Action to our current address. Thank you.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Whalen, Michael J. and Howard, Jeffrey S.

Application No.: 10/053,047 Attorney Docket No.: 032167.0001

Filing Date: November 9, 2001

Title: Portable Container for Paint, Roller and Brush

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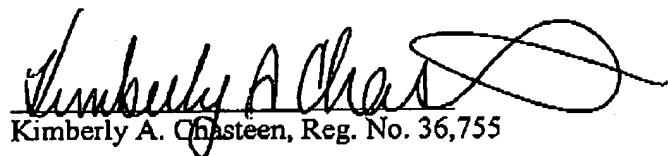
Sir:

As authorized agent of the above referenced applicant, I hereby state the following:

The utility patent application for the above referenced matter included our customer number 22467 on the Declaration, both Powers of Attorney and Utility Transmittal filed with the application, copies of each of these documents are enclosed. We filed a Request for Customer Number Data Change form on June 18, 2004, copy of which is also enclosed. The change of address should have been associated with the above referenced patent application, and therefore any correspondence prepared by the Patent and Trademark Office after July 21, 2004, the date the Notice of Customer Number Record Change (also enclosed) was mailed, should have been forwarded to the new address as requested.

I ask that you please re-issue the pending Office Action for the above noted application giving another full 6 month period to respond. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

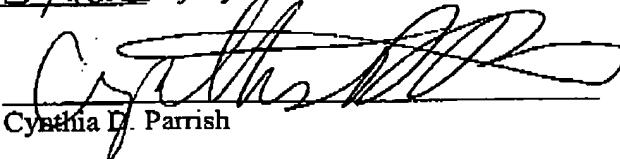

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Date: 13 Sep 05

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PATENT APPLICATION
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Attorney Docket No.	032167.0001
First Inventor or Application Identifier	Whalen, Michael J.
Title	PORTABLE CONTAINER FOR PAINT, ROLLER AND BRUSH
Express Mail Label No.	ET 248940541 US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 500 concerning utility patent application contents.

ADDRESS TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Washington, DC 20231

1. * Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original, and duplicate for fee processing)
2. Specification (Total Pages 19)
(preferred arrangement set forth below, MPEP 1503.01)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
3. Drawing(s) (37 USC 113) (Total Sheets 3)
4. Oath or Declaration (Total Pages 3)
 - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
(Note Box 5 below)
 - i. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting
Inventor(s) named in the prior application,
see 37 CFR §§1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
 - ii. Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a
copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b,
is considered to be part of the disclosure of the
accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by
reference therein.

6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Copy
 - b. Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
 - c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

8. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
9. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Two Powers of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
10. English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
12. Preliminary Amendment
13. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
14. Small Entity Statement(s) Statement filed in prior application,
(PTO/SB/09-12) Status still proper and desired
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. Other:

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17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment:

Continuation Divisional Continuation-In-part (CIP) of prior application No: _____
Prior application information: Examiner _____ Group/Art Unit: _____

18. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

<input type="checkbox"/> Customer Number or Bar Code Label	22467	<input type="checkbox"/> or <input type="checkbox"/> Correspondence address below PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE (Insert Customer No. or Attach bar-code label here)
Name	Kimberly A. Chasteen	
Address	Williams Mullen Clark & Dobbins One Old Oyster Point Road, Suite 210	
City	Newport News	State VA Zip Code 23692
Country	USA	Telephone (757) 249-5100 Fax (757) 249-5109

Name (Print/Type)	Kimberly A. Chasteen	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	\$6,755
Signature	Kimberly A. Chasteen	Date	11/9/2001

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June 18, 2004

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P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: PTO Customer Numbers

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find two Request for Customer Number Data Change forms and two Requests for Customer Number that I ask that you process on behalf of Williams Mullen. Please forward to me at the address below the confirmations of all accounts, so that I may forward to the appropriate persons for each location:

Williams Mullen
Fountain Plaza Three
Suite 200
721 Lakefront Commons
Newport News, VA 23606

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAMS MULLEN


Kimberly A. Chasteen

KAC/cdp
Enclosures
cc: Craig L. Mytelka, Esquire
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To the Commissioner for Patents:

22467

Please record the following data changes to Customer Number:

 Please change Address to:

Firm or Individual Name	Williams Mullen		
Address	Fountain Plaza Three, Suite 200		
Address	721 Lakefront Commons		
City	Newport News	State	Virginia
Country	US		
Telephone	757-249-5100	Fax	757-249-5109

 Please delete the following practitioner registration number(s) from the Customer Number indicated above:

 Please add the following practitioner registration number(s) from the Customer Number above:

36,755	38,080			
43,659	38,076			

 Additional practitioner registration numbers are listed on supplemental sheet(s) attached hereto (PTO/SB/124B or equivalent)

Request Submitted by: (must be a person, e.g. registered practitioner, associated with the customer number shown above)

Firm Name (if applicable)	Williams Mullen		
Name of Person Submitting request	Kimberly A. Chasteen		
Signature	<i>Kimberly A. Chasteen</i>		Registration No. 36,755
Telephone Number	757-249-7102	Date	8/18/04

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To the Commissioner for Patents:

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Please record the following data changes to Customer Number:

 Please change Address to:

Firm or Individual Name	Williams Mullen		
Address	8270 Greensboro Drive		
Address	Suite 700		
City	McLean	State	Virginia
Country	US		
Telephone	703-760-5200	Fax	703-748-0244

 Please delete the following practitioner registration number(s) from the Customer Number indicated above:

 Please add the following practitioner registration number(s) from the Customer Number above:

36,755	39,080			
43,659	38,076			

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Request Submitted by: (must be a person, e.g. registered practitioner, associated with the customer number shown above)

Firm Name (if applicable)	Williams Mullen		
Name of Person Submitting request	Kimberly A. Chasteen		
Signature	<i>Kimberly A. Chasteen</i>	Registration No.	36,755
Telephone Number	757-248-7102	Date	8/18/04

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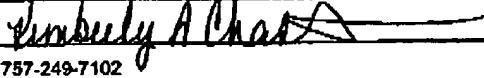
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To the Commissioner for Patents Please assign a Customer Number to the Address indicated below.				
Firm or Individual Name	Williams Mullen			
Address	222 Central Park Avenue			
Address	Suite 1700			
City	Virginia Beach	State	Virginia	ZIP
Country	US			
Telephone	757-499-6800	Fax	757-473-0395	
Please associate the following practitioner registration number(s) with the Customer Number assigned to the Address cited above.				
43,659	36,756	38,076	39,080	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional practitioner registration numbers are listed on supplemental sheet(s) attached hereto.				

Request Submitted by:	
Firm Name (if applicable)	Williams Mullen
Name of person submitting request	Kimberly A. Chasteen
Signature	
Telephone Number	757-249-7102
	Date 6/16/04

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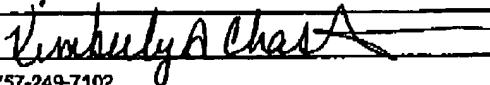
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To the Commissioner for Patents Please assign a Customer Number to the Address indicated below.				
Firm or Individual Name	Williams Mullen			
Address	Enterprise Center, Suite 101			
Address	401 Market Street			
City	Charlottesville	State	Virginia	ZIP 22902-5264
Country	US			
Telephone	434-951-5700	Fax	434-817-0977	
Please associate the following practitioner registration number(s) with the Customer Number assigned to the Address cited above.				
39,080	36,755	43,659	36,076	
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Request Submitted by:				
Firm Name (if applicable)	Williams Mullen			
Name of person submitting request	Kimberly A. Chasteen			
Signature				
Telephone Number	757-249-7102	Date	6/18/04	

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PHONE: 757-249-5100

E-MAIL:

Date Mailed: 07/21/2004

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